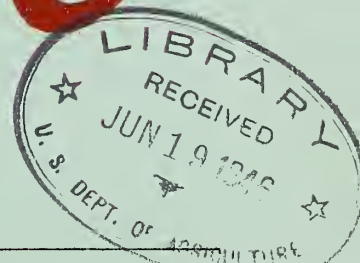


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SECOND ASSEMBLY

Honorable Renick W. Dunlap, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, gave an address of welcome to the National 4-H club conference on June 19, 1930. He expressed his pleasure in being able to address such a large group of fine young boys and girls who are in camp as representatives of the other nine hundred thousand 4-H'ers spread over 48 states of the Union.

He explained the various bureaus of the Department of Agriculture, some of which are: The Weather Bureau that aids the farmer by predicting weather in various parts of the country; the Food, Drug and Insecticide Administration, which prohibits the sale of impure foods and the various labels which they carry; the Bureau of Animal Industry where experiments are carried on in such a way as to bring out the best results with a minimum amount of cost.

He also stated that there were too many trying for soft-collar jobs who were unqualified to hold them. We don't need merely a high school or college education but we need the practical side and experience as well. If more of us would confine ourselves to combining our education with practical thoughts and experiences we would find that we are more capable of handling the harder jobs which may come unexpectedly from time to time.

In closing he stated that he wished that each of us would go back and become leaders in our respective communities.

Chelva Pratt

Minnesota.

C O N C E R T

Last night the Teacher's chorus from the Wilson Normal School came to camp and gave us an outdoor concert. The chorus rendered six numbers including, among others, "Hayfields and Butterflies," "June Rhapsody," "The Lambs," and their school song. They also sang a group of songs which they themselves had written for little children. They were led in their singing by Mrs. Angelica and I'm sure that, after our song leadership work with Miss Gardner, we all enjoyed watching Mrs. Angelica. Mr. Angelica sang two groups of solos. In the second group he sang two Neapolitan folk songs and in one of them we all joined with him in the chorus.

Miss Warren introduced Miss Anna D. Halberg, who is president of the Wilson Normal School. Miss Halberg said that she was very much interested in the 4-H clubs, especially as she grew up on a farm in Wisconsin.

At the end of the program the Normal School Students gave a cheer for the 4-H clubs and we responded with our "How-do-you-do" song.

Dorothy Hallister
Connecticut.

RECEPTION BY DR. C. B. SMITH

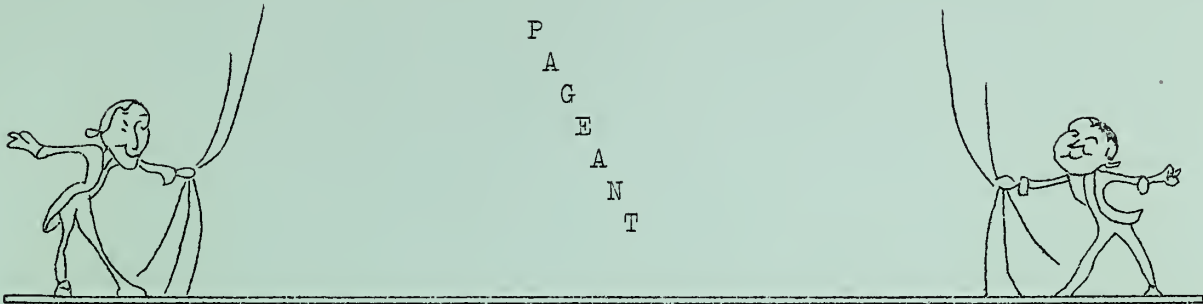
The reception in the patio of the new administration building of the U. S. Department of Agriculture Thursday afternoon was conducted by Dr. C. B. Smith on account of the absence of Director C. W. Warburton.

Those in the reception line were: Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Smith, Mrs. Renick W. Dunlap, and Hon. Arthur M. Hyde, Secretary of Agriculture.

Refreshments were served and then everyone made use of the time in getting acquainted with everyone else.

Henry Rebbel Jr.

South Dakota.



Possibly one of the most beautiful scenes that has been witnessed by the 4-H club members at the Fourth National 4-H Club Camp took place Thursday evening at the National Sylvan Theatre, on the Washington Monument grounds. "The Tempest" one of the outstanding plays of William Shakespeare was presented by The Community Drama Guild of Washington under the auspices of the Washington Community Centre Association of the D. C. Public Schools and The Office of Public Buildings and Parks of the National Capital.

The scene, a ship at sea on an uninhabited island. The form of the stage and scenes was beautiful. The entire scenery was arranged as on an imaginary island. The green palms, shrubs, flowers, etc., were very artistically arranged. The lighting fixtures were arranged so as to insure perfect harmony with the characters and scenes.

One of the interesting features was the music rendered at different intervals by the U. S. Marine Band, under the direction of Captain Taylor Branson.

The costume arrangements were the early ideas of the 17th Century.

In charge of the ushers was Major Donald A. Davison of the U. S. Army. Capt. Ray Montgomery of the U. S. Army was in charge of the Sylvan Theatre grounds.

The searchlights playing on the Washington Monument during the pageant gave an indescribable effect and seemed to reflect a feeling of love for our dear U. S. A.

Everyone enjoyed this pageant and it leaves a very happy memory to take back to our States.

Gilda *Gates*
Florida

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STATE DELEGATIONS, ATTENTION

Campfire Monday night will feature stunts and contributions from State delegations as well as group challenges.

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A VISIT TO THE CAPITOL



Upon arriving at the Capitol we were met by a guide. The guide conducted us into the large hall just inside of the front entrance. Here he told us all about the many paintings and carvings, who did the painting, and where the scenes were taken.

Hastening down the narrow hall we came to the Senate Chamber. Here the guide described the elaborate chamber. As we looked on with intense interest, the guide pointed out Vice President Curtis, the speaker of the Senate. From here we went through other halls looking at paintings and carvings, listening to the guide's discussions.

Next we were carried into the Representative Chamber. Here we saw the speaker of the House, Mr. Longworth, call the House to order. Out of 435 representatives making up the House, only a few were present at this particular time, although this did not keep us from seeing Congress in session. Everyone enjoyed the little hurried visit, but if we could have had more time it probably would have been more interesting for all.

James Cooper
Alabama.
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TOUR TO AIRCRAFT BUILDING

By visiting the Aircraft Building, one can get a clear view of the history of Aeronautics and its present development. Through accurate models, the original species, photographs, etc., the progress of this great industry is shown.

The visitor is first shown the models and designs of the first airplane, then the first actual plane, the first actual plane after being improved, and so on down to our modern machines.

Among some of the things that are probably the most interesting to visitors are the Government-owned Wright biplane of 1908, the first airplane to be purchased by any Government, also the examples of American, allied, and German war planes, and the post-war exhibits which include nearly every airplane that has made America prominent in the great flying industry.

W. C. Wright
Texas.

COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORTS

Group I The chairman, Lawrence Raush, called the meeting to order.

A summary of the question "What agricultural, homemaking, and other phases of 4-H club work should be especially stressed in the first two years of the 4-H club program," was read in order to introduce a discussion of these points. Ruby Richardson of Indiana led the discussion.

Group II Question: What should be the qualifications for local volunteer leaders in 4-H club work?

1. A considerable number of the group confirmed the opinion that leadership should be confined to the older club members, and they gave excellent support to that argument.

2. Another group argued for older adult leaders, because they were interested in club work for their own sons and daughters. Many have a fine background of experience and training.

The general conclusion is that there is a place in club work for both such leaders.

The question of qualification of the two types of leaders was touched upon but the balance favored the older club leaders as having sufficient experience and training to make a leader in most phases of club work.

Group III The meeting was opened with Joe Thompson, Mississippi, acting as temporary chairman, who was later made permanent chairman. We next elected Erma Riddle, New Jersey, as Secretary, Louise Temple, Mississippi, as recorder. The chairman appointed George Allen, New York, and Dorris Strong, Tenn., as our delegates.

Following the election of officers the first sheet of the questionnaire was written and collected.

At a second short meeting of Group III, "The Vikings," meaning conquerers, was selected as the name for our group. Ida Hammell, New Jersey, and John Geisser, New Hampshire, were voted our song leaders. The temporary speaker selected was Ludell Cheney, Michigan. The meeting closed with a song.

Group IV Gaylord Munson led the discussion of the problem of keeping older boys and girls interested in 4-H club work.

Points advanced in the meeting were: (1) Leaders supervise the work of older club members too closely. Expand junior leadership. (2) Keep members busy all the time. Each one to have special work to do. (3) In New York they have "Big Brother and Sister Councils" in which the older members help the younger ones. (4) Give more time to recreation. (5) Meet and entertain boys and girls from other clubs. (6) Several States have county honor councils composed of the outstanding club members elected by the local clubs. They meet once a month with a variety of programs. (7) Introduce outside activities into club meetings. Study parliamentary law and cultural courses. (8) Collegiate 4-H clubs in different State colleges. Members have interesting programs, exchange ideas and keep up their pep.

Group V Discussions on economic problems involved in 4-H club program led by Ruth Kemp and Hugh Dukes. Through discussion we found that most of the money earned through 4-H club work was premiums won at fairs, profits made by selling livestock, investing money wisely, saving money by making own clothes, value of educational trips, cooperation with parents.

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TWENTY-FIVE STATES ENTER PUBLICATIONS CONTEST

One of the outstanding features of the camp is the publications contest. Entries are in two classes--(1) subject-matter and instruction publications, and (2) Promotional and organization publications, used in carrying on club work.

Twenty-five States have entered publications. A committee on publications will judge these exhibits during camp time and make their report.

This is a splendid plan. If a State has done an outstanding piece of work along this line and people know of it and ask for samples, is it not an indication of achievement on the part of that State that will ultimately bring its reward to offset any immediate cost to the State?

Each club member and leader should see these exhibits. Why not judge them in our own minds and see how it compares with that of the judges?

The exhibit is in the tent just north of the Press Tent, marked "4-H Publications Contest and Exhibit."

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In the leaders' conference we heard that of a certain number of local leaders reporting, 34 per cent said they got personal gain from acting as leaders, 23 per cent satisfaction in helping others, and 24 per cent a combination of the two. We do owe our local leaders a great deal. Their greatest joy from the work is when we make good.

ALL HERE Michigan has been short one of its delegation but she arrived this morning after having tarried in Saginaw County in order to be graduated from the Arthur Hill High School. She was also presented at this time with a \$1200 scholarship. Helen says that there were three honors awarded at the graduation exercises and that they were all won by boys and girls who came in as non-resident students from the rural districts.

